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BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS
Grimes State Office Building – 400 East 14th Street
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Minutes

October 8, 2004

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6 **Motions**

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11 Anita Westerhaus moved, with a second by Jean Seeland, that the Board go
12 into closed session for the purpose of interviewing and discussing candidates
13 for the position of Executive Director of the Board of Educational Examiners,
14 pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i). Roll call vote: Seeland – yes; Wellborn
15 – yes; Westerhaus – yes; Carter – yes; Paulsen – yes; Aboud – yes; Robinson –
16 yes; Chen – yes; and Haigh – yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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18 John Aboud moved, with a second by Jean Seeland, to approve the September
19 17, 2004, minutes, as distributed. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

20
21 John Aboud moved, with a second by Ying Ying Chen, to adopt and file the
22 proposed changes to the licensure requirements for teaching mathematics at
23 the secondary level, wherein the suggested rules clarify existing requirements,
24 in particular the level of certain courses, so that every high school mathematics
25 teacher would be mathematically prepared to teach. Roll call vote: Carter –
26 yes; Westerhaus – yes; Wellborn – yes; Seeland – yes; Jeffrey – yes; Haigh – yes;
27 Chen – yes; Robinson – yes; Aboud – yes; and Paulsen – yes. **MOTION**
28 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

29
30 Jacqueline Wellborn moved, with a second by Anita Westerhaus, to file under
31 Notice of Intended Action, the proposed change to Chapter 11 that would revise
32 the reference in rule from Chapter 12, which has been rescinded, to Chapter
33 25, which has replaced it. Roll call vote: Aboud – yes; Robinson – yes;
34 Chen – yes; Haigh – yes; Jeffrey – yes; Seeland – yes; Wellborn – yes;

1 Westerhaus – yes; Carter – yes; and Paulsen – yes. **MOTION CARRIED**
2 **UNANIMOUSLY.**

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4 Jean Seeland moved, with a second by Greg Robinson, to file under Notice of
5 Intended Action, the proposed change to Chapter 21 that would align Board
6 rule with the change in a Department of Transportation rule, which now
7 requires a clear driving record of the previous two years, instead of the previous
8 four years. Roll call vote: Aboud – yes; Robinson – yes; Chen – yes; Haigh –
9 yes; Jeffrey – yes; Seeland – yes; Wellborn – yes; Westerhaus – yes; Carter – yes;
10 and Paulsen – yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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13 closed session for the purpose of discussing candidates for the position of
14 Executive Director of the Board of Educational Examiners, pursuant to Iowa
15 Code section 21.5(1)(i). Roll call vote: Carter – yes; Westerhaus – yes; Wellborn
16 – yes; Seeland – yes; Jeffrey – yes; Haigh – yes; Chen – yes; Robinson – yes;
17 Aboud – yes; and Paulsen – yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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6 **Minutes**
7 **October 8, 2004**
8

9 The Board of Educational Examiners held its monthly meeting on October 8,
10 2004. Acting Board Chair Thomas Paulsen called the meeting to order at
11 7:54 a.m. Members attending were John Aboud, Brian Carter, Ying Ying Chen,
12 William Haigh, Thomas Paulsen, Dr. Greg Robinson, Jean Seeland, and Anita
13 Westerhaus. Also in attendance was Barbara Hendrickson, Board Secretary.
14 Jacqueline Wellborn arrived immediately thereafter, and Judy Jeffrey arrived at
15 8:04 a.m. Board Chair Peter Hathaway was unable to attend the meeting.
16 Susan Fischer, Interim Executive Director; Christie Scase and Jeanie Vaudt,
17 Assistant Attorneys General and legal counsel to the Board; and other visitors
18 attended the business meeting in the afternoon.

19
20 Anita Westerhaus moved, with a second by Jean Seeland, that the Board go
21 into closed session for the purpose of interviewing and discussing candidates
22 for the position of Executive Director of the Board of Educational Examiners,
23 pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i). Roll call vote: Seeland – yes; Wellborn
24 – yes; Westerhaus – yes; Carter – yes; Paulsen – yes; Aboud – yes; Robinson –
25 yes; Chen – yes; and Haigh – yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

26
27 The Board reconvened into open session at 1:03 p.m., following a recess for
28 lunch beginning at 12:02 p.m.

29
30 John Aboud moved, with a second by Jean Seeland, to approve the September
31 17, 2004, minutes, as distributed. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

1 Board Members Jean Seeland, William Haigh and Anita Westerhaus each
2 reported that they had participated with Licensure Consultant Jane Heisen in
3 a student teaching seminar: Ms. Seeland at Upper Iowa University's Waterloo
4 center; Mr. Haigh at Upper Iowa's West Des Moines center; and Ms. Westerhaus
5 at Grand View College. Ms. Seeland commented that Ms. Heisen always does
6 such a fine job and asked that the compliment be passed along to her. She also
7 said that she and Board Member John Aboud were going to present a session
8 on ethics for the student members of the Iowa State Education Association
9 (ISEA) at its student program fall workshop in Des Moines.

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11 Acting Board Chair Thomas Paulsen asked if there were any public comments.
12 There were none.

13
14 Interim Executive Director Susan Fischer stated that at the November meeting,
15 the Board will review some minor adjustments to the teacher intern rules,
16 which have already been discussed with the teacher preparation institutions
17 and with other interested parties. She stated that some time ago she had been
18 contacted by the Legislative Service Bureau regarding SF2298. The legislature
19 had requested information on the feasibility of a statewide teacher intern
20 program. Legislators will now be informed that one program is in place, and
21 that both another college and a consortium of institutions are proposing
22 additional programs. Ms. Fischer next explained a handout with an overview of
23 budget information on the income resources and expenditures of the Board.
24 When asked by Board Member John Aboud asked if the Board office had yet
25 sent a congratulatory letter to the current winners of the Milken National
26 Educator Awards, Ms. Fischer made note to do that.

27
28 The Board next considered proposed changes to the 7-12 mathematics
29 endorsement. The chair of the committee that had proposed the changes
30 responded to the Board's deferred vote and subsequent inquiry about specificity
31 with regard to the programming course. Committee members believed courses
32 in place have the particular technology being sought, and they did not think
33 that anything more defined needed to be stressed with regard to the terminology

1 of computer programming. That could be left up to the discretion of each
2 college. John Aboud moved, with a second by Ying Ying Chen, to adopt and file
3 the proposed changes to the licensure requirements for teaching mathematics
4 at the secondary level, wherein the suggested rules clarify existing
5 requirements, in particular the level of certain courses, so that every high
6 school mathematics teacher would be mathematically prepared to teach. Roll
7 call vote: Carter – yes; Westerhaus – yes; Wellborn – yes; Seeland – yes; Jeffrey
8 – yes; Haigh – yes; Chen – yes; Robinson – yes; Aboud – yes; and Paulsen – yes.

9 **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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11 Jacqueline Wellborn moved, with a second by Anita Westerhaus, to file under
12 Notice of Intended Action, the proposed change to Chapter 11 that would revise
13 the reference in rule from Chapter 12, which has been rescinded, to Chapter
14 25, which has replaced it. Roll call vote: Aboud – yes; Robinson – yes; Chen –
15 yes; Haigh – yes; Jeffrey – yes; Seeland – yes; Wellborn – yes; Westerhaus – yes;
16 Carter – yes; and Paulsen – yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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19 Intended Action, the proposed change to Chapter 21 that would align Board
20 rule with the change in a Department of Transportation rule, which now
21 requires a clear driving record of the previous two years, instead of the previous
22 four years. Roll call vote: Aboud – yes; Robinson – yes; Chen – yes; Haigh –
23 yes; Jeffrey – yes; Seeland – yes; Wellborn – yes; Westerhaus – yes; Carter – yes;
24 and Paulsen – yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

25
26 At 1:21 p.m. Anita Westerhaus moved, with a second by Brian Carter, that the
27 Board go into closed session for the purpose of discussing candidates for the
28 position of Executive Director of the Board of Educational Examiners, pursuant
29 to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i). Roll call vote: Carter – yes; Westerhaus – yes;
30 Wellborn – yes; Seeland – yes; Jeffrey – yes; Haigh – yes; Chen – yes; Robinson –
31 yes; Aboud – yes; and Paulsen – yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

32
33 The Board reconvened into open session at 1:47 p.m.

1 Jean Seeland recommended that board meetings a couple of times a year have
2 an abbreviated agenda that would permit the Board to spend the rest of the
3 time that day visioning as a Board, where it goes from here. Although results
4 might not be immediate from discussions of “what ifs,” good things would
5 eventually emanate. Board members agreed.

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7 There being no further business, Acting Board Chair Thomas Paulsen
8 adjourned the meeting at 1:49 p.m.

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6 **Minutes**
7 **October 11, 2004**
8

9 The Board of Educational Examiners held a special meeting on October 11,
10 2004. Board Chair Peter Hathaway called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.
11 Members attending in person were Peter Hathaway, Judy Jeffrey, Thomas
12 Paulsen, Dr. Greg Robinson, Jean Seeland, Jacqueline Wellborn and Anita
13 Westerhaus. Also in attendance was Barbara Hendrickson, Board Secretary.
14 Members attending via conference call were Ying Ying Chen; William Haigh
15 until 1:54 p.m.; Brian Carter from 12:36 p.m. to 1:12 p.m.; and John Aboud,
16 who joined the session at 1:15 p.m. Ms. Wellborn left at 1:55 p.m., and Ms.
17 Jeffrey and Mr. Robinson around 2 p.m.

18
19 Board Chair Peter Hathaway thanked board members and appropriate staff for
20 their efforts in proceeding with interviews for the position of Executive Director
21 of the Board of Educational Examiners on the previous Friday, when he was
22 unable to attend.

23
24 Anita Westerhaus moved, with a second by Thomas Paulsen, that the Board go
25 into closed session for the purpose of interviewing and discussing candidates
26 for the position of Executive Director of the Board of Educational Examiners,
27 pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i). Roll call vote: Aboud – (absent at this
28 time); Carter – (absent at this time); Chen – yes; Haigh – yes; Hathaway – yes;
29 Jeffrey – yes; Paulsen – yes; Robinson – yes; Seeland – yes; Wellborn – yes; and
30 Westerhaus – yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

31
32 The Board reconvened into open session at 2:10 p.m.

1 Board Chair Peter Hathaway announced that he had been directed by the
2 Board to contact one of the candidates and to make an offer at this time. As
3 soon as that is done and the results of the offer are known, Mr. Hathaway will
4 communicate that to Board Secretary Barbara Hendrickson, who will notify the
5 board members. The media will be notified at that point also.

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7 There being no further business, Board Chair Peter Hathaway adjourned the
8 meeting at 2:12 p.m.